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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

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TOPIC Soviet Occupation Troops in ROSTOCK

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1C

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. a. The Panzer Kaserne on Memelerstrasse and Tschairowskystrasse, ROSTOCK (M 55/0 81), was occupied by tank and infantry units.

It was reported that four hundred recruits of the 1931 class had arrived in this kaserne in May 1949 following the discharge of older personnel to the Soviet Union in April 1949. Twenty "T 34/85" tanks were observed in the former stables in the northern kaserne section. A tank major riding the passenger car [REDACTED] was observed leaving the kaserne.

b. About 300 Soviet sailors, working at the "Neptun" Shipyard, were quartered in the old Infanterie Kaserne on Ulmenstrasse. The motor vehicle [REDACTED] was seen at the kaserne yard.

c. A naval unit of about 200 men was quartered in a former school building on Parkstrasse. The unit furnished guard details for duty in the shipyard.

14 July 1949

2. a. The former Puttlitz Kaserne, ROSTOCK, was occupied to capacity. The troops quartered there included about 600 young soldiers who had arrived some time before. Much training of troops was observed at the yard of the Puttlitz Kaserne and in the kaserne area on Tschairowskystrasse.

b. The garages of the Fusilier Kaserne, previously occupied by tanks, were vacant at the time of observation.

c. A navy storage depot was located in the Ulmen Kaserne. Most of the kaserne buildings were uninhabitable.

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passenger car, occupied by two high-ranking officers
 jeep, occupied by an officer
 truck
 truck, occupied by naval troops
 truck, occupied by naval troops
 passenger car, occupied by naval troops
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25X1A ☐ Comment:

- 25X1 a. Another ☐ observed the ROSTOCK Puttlitz Kaserne to be occupied by a tank unit in the strength of about one regiment on 22 June 1949. Local residents stated that the unit was equipped with "T 34" tanks and SP guns which frequently left the kaserne by small groups for practice marches.
- b. The report shows that the previous occupation of the ROSTOCK post by Soviet troops remained constant until July 1949. It is assumed that a tank unit (one regiment?) which is directly assigned to the Hq of the Second Gds Mecz Army is located in the ROSTOCK Puttlitz Kaserne (also called Panzer Kaserne).
- c. The arrival of recruits in the ROSTOCK Puttlitz Kaserne was reported in May and June 1949. It is, however, considered incredible that the recruits should have belonged to the 1931 class (presumably 1929 class).

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